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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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Re: Application of Ludovic FLEURY, Pierre SILLARD, Alain BERTAINA,  
Florent BEAUMONT, Maxine GORLIER, Louis-Anne de MONTMORILLON,  
Pascale NOUCHI, Lionel EXPERT  
A METHOD OF PRODUCING AND IMPROVING AN OPTICAL  
TRANSMISSION LINE, AND ASSOCIATED COMPENSATION MODULES  
**Assignee: ALCATEL**  
Our Ref. Q76520

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 22 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 6 sheet(s) of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified), and Preliminary Amendment.

**PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT BEFORE  
CALCULATING THE FEE**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>14</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>2</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Base Fee									<u>\$750.00</u>

<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>	<b>\$750.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment	\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>	<b><u>\$790.00</u></b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$750.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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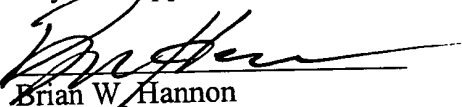
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
France	0209137	July 18, 2002

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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